## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 987 By Clabough

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jessica Woods, 2004 Salutatorian of Maryville High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Woods is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2004 graduating class at Maryville High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Miss Woods has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Miss Woods has earned an exemplary 4.58 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, her laudable achievements have earned Miss Woods numerous accolades including the Meritorious Service Award, recognition as a Maryville Scholar, inclusion in the Who's Who Among American High School Students, and participation in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Law Alumna; and

WHEREAS, an active and important part of her school and community, Miss Woods has participated in the US Affairs Charity working to raise money for the Deborah Center in Romania, the Second Harvest Food Drive, and the Kaleidoscope Lecture Series; she has held membership in the National Honor Society, Student Council serving as Secretary and Treasurer, and the Key Club serving as President; and

WHEREAS, Miss Woods has proven herself to be a gifted athlete through her prowess on the Soccer and Swim teams; and

WHEREAS, valuing the benefits of higher education, Miss Woods intends to further her pursuit of knowledge at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga where she has been accepted to the Honors Program and is a recipient of the Ralph C. Hohn Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, the intellectual aptitude and ambition that Miss Woods has displayed surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Miss Woods' noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Donald and Karen Woods, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Woods' dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2004 Maryville High School Salutatorian, Jessica Woods, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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